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TAGS: ETRD, EAGR, AS, CH

SUBJ: AUSTRALIAN WHEAT SALE TO PRC

REF: A) HONG KONG 8598; B) CANBERRA 4901

1. AUSTRALIAN WHEAT BOARD CONFIRMED SALE BY AWB MISSION AS REPORTED REFTEL B), AND CATEGORICALLY DENIED ANY DISCUSSION ON FURTHER SALE OF 1 MILLION METRIC TONS, LET ALONE NEGOTIATION OF CONTRACT. TRADE SOURCE OBVIOUSLY CONFUSED COMPLETION OF 1974 SALE WITH NEW CONTRACT, AS SHIPPING DETAILS NOTED IN REFTEL A) IDENTICAL WITH THOSE ARRANGED FOR 1974 SALE.

2. ACCORDING TO RELIABLE AWB SPOKESMAN NO FURTHER DISCUSSIONS TO BE HELD WITH PRC UNTIL LATE OCTOBER OR NOVEMBER. THESE WILL COVER SHIPMENTS DURING 1975, AND UNDER LONG TERM AGREEMENT QUANTITY INVOLVED WILL BE BETWEEN 1.5 AND 1.8 MILLION METRIC TONS. MEETING
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PLACE FOR THESE DISCUSSIONS PROBABLY PEKING, BUT

THIS SUBJECT TO MUTUAL AGREEMENT AND AWB KEEN TO
HAVE MEETING IN MELBOURNE. HOWEVER, IT SEEMS DOUBTFUL
AT THIS STAGE CEROILFOOD REPS. WOULD ACCEPT INVITATION
TO COME TO AUSTRALIA.
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